

# Nga La language

**Matu**, also known as *Matu Chin* (*Matupi*) is a Kuki-Chin language spoken in Matupi township, Chin State, Burma, and also in Mizoram, India by the Matu people. The "Nga La" dialect is the most common used dialect in Matupi and is the official language of Matupi township other than Bamar or Burmese language, which is the official language of Myanmar.

## Dialects

*Ethnologue* lists the following dialects of Matu Chin. Matu of Mizoram, India is reportedly not intelligible with Matu varieties in Myanmar.

- Ciing (Langle (Tamtlah) -Ngaleng, Phanaeng, Voitu)
- Doem (Valang)
- Nguitu (Leiring)
- Thlangpang (Changpyang-Ramtuem)
- Haltu
- Ngala (Batu-Hnawte) (Official Language of Matupi)
- Ta'aw (Daihnna, Luivang)
- Tuivang (Amsoi-Rawkthang)
- Matu Dai (Madu-Weilu)
- Weilaung (Kronam-Leishi)
- Thaiphum

Matu	
Matupi Chin	
Region	Burma, India
Ethnicity	Matupi
Native speakers	70,000 (2012) <sup>[1]</sup>
Language family	Sino-Tibetan <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(Tibeto-Burman)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Kuki-Chin<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Southern<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Matu</b></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul>
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	hlt
Glottolog	ngal1291 ( <a href="http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/ngal1291">http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/ngal1291</a> ) <sup>[2]</sup>

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